

Julius Drinkwater
Huntington Vt.



ANNUAL REPORT
TOWN OF
HUNTINGTON
VERMONT
FOR THE YEAR 1955



Cover

Musk-ox calves, Huntington Center, Vermont. Three of the seven musk-ox calves captured on the Arctic Barrens and the subjects of research into their possibilities as domestic animals naturally adapted for northern agriculture. Their economic value lies in their ability to feed themselves out-of-doors the year around, their superior intelligence, beef-like meat, and the world's finest natural wool. These are the only musk-ox in captivity in North America.

BRING THIS REPORT TO TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1956

TOWN OFFICERS

<i>Moderator</i>	CARLYLE TAFT
<i>Town Clerk</i>	P. C. JAQUES
<i>Treasurer</i>	NELLIE JAQUES
<i>Health Officer</i>	JOHN LANTMAN, M.D.*
<i>Selectmen:</i>	
Term Expires 1956	RICHARD FIELDER
Term Expires 1957	HERMAN QUESNEL
Term Expires 1958	P. C. JAQUES
<i>School Directors:</i>	
Term Expires 1956	RODERICK ROSS
Term Expires 1957	HORACE JONES
Term Expires 1958	ARCHIE STOKES
<i>Road Commissioner</i>	FAY SHATTUCK
<i>Listers:</i>	
Term Expires 1956	CARL WEAVER
Term Expires 1957	FRANK MILES
Term Expires 1958	PAUL BRACE
<i>Overseer of Poor</i>	PARKER BEAN
<i>Town Agent</i>	HEMAN STEVENS
<i>Town Grand Juror</i>	ROY CLEVELAND
<i>First Constable</i>	DARWIN WRIGHT
<i>Auditors:</i>	
Term Expires 1956	JAMES STRUTHERS
Term Expires 1957	HELEN PHILLIPS
Term Expires 1958	HENRY TRUAX
<i>Cemetery Trustees:</i>	
Term Expires 1956	RAYMOND ROCQUE
Term Expires 1957	HERMAN QUESNEL
Term Expires 1958	RICHARD CLEVELAND
Term Expires 1959	MUNROE LACAILLADE
Term Expires 1960	FRANCIS PHILLIPS
<i>Justices of Peace</i>	HOWARD ALGER, FAY SHATTUCK, H. W. SARGENT, PAUL CARPENTER, HORACE JONES
<i>Town Representative</i>	JAMES STRUTHERS

* Appointed.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ending December 31, 1955

		<i>General</i>	<i>School</i>
Cash on hand and in bank	\$ 2,917 23	\$	13,428 11
	<i>Receipts</i>		
Taxes:			
Current	\$ 13,316 33		
Delinquent	2,071 49		
Abated	100 55		
		15,488 37	6,460 62
Myrtie C. Johns	708 00		
Mary Fletcher Hospital (1953)	85 10		
Town of Hinesburg			232 50
Richard Fielder (Leon Hank's Estate)	2 00		
Dog licenses	190 20		
Leon Briggs	25 68		
Beverage Licenses	112 50		
John Delfrate	200 00		
Neal Cubitt (1952)	42 50		
Town of Starksboro			268 48
Jessie Norton	425 00		
Lease land rent	41 00		31 45
Harold P. Brown	5 00		
Health Council			14 38
Henry Struthers	22 40		
Elsie Hill	16 00		
Transfer General to Road Account	831 72		
Frank Gillette (1953)	72 00		
Road Commissioner transfer	185 00		
		2,964 10	546 81
Tractor and Grader Rentals:			
Town and State rental, grader	2,132 00		
Town and State rental, tractor	2,146 00		
Town of Monkton, grader	5 50		
Town of Starksboro, tractor	51 00		
Lewis DeRocco, tractor	15 00		
Mrs. Louise Duggan, tractor	30 00		

Delial Brooker, tractor.....	90 00		
John Delfrate, grader.....	115 00		
Millard Brace, tractor.....	27 50		
Forest Brace, tractor	75 00		
		4,687 00	
State of Vermont:			
Highways	16,108 20		
Stumpage	615 24		
Lease land rent	194 60		24 00
		16,918 04	
School			9,890 60
Howard National Bank,			
Note	4,000 00	4,000 00	
Note	6,000 00	6,000 00	
		<u>\$ 52,974 74</u>	<u>\$ 30,350 14</u>

Disbursements

Orders:			
Road Commissioner	\$ 23,029 87		
Overseer	11,291 00		
Tractor and grader account	5,317 52		
Selectmen	10,213 35		
		49,851 74	
School Orders:			
School Director			\$ 22,104 40
Balance in bank	\$ 1,741 09		8,224 36
Cash on hand	1,381 91		
		3,123 00	21 38
		<u>\$ 52,974 74</u>	<u>\$ 30,350 14</u>

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Overdraw January 1, 1955		\$ 1,453 82	
Received from taxes	\$ 4,756 01		
Howard National Bank & Trust Co.	4,000 01		
Received from delinquent taxes	2,071 49		
Received from dog licenses	190 20		
Received from beverage licenses	112 50		
Received from Vermont Forest Service	615 24		
Received from abated taxes	100 55		
Received from State of Vermont	145 00		
Selectmen's Orders		10,213 35	
Balance in account		323 82	
		<u>\$ 11,990 99</u>	<u>\$ 11,990 99</u>

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Balance on hand January 1, 1955	\$ 13,428 11	
Taxes voted	6,460 62	
Received from State of Vermont	9,890 60	
Lease land rent	55 45	
Tuition, Town of Hinesburg	232 50	
Tuition, Town of Starksboro	268 48	
Refund	14 38	
School Directors' Orders		\$ 22,104 40
Balance in fund		8,245 74
	\$ 30,350 14	\$ 30,350 14

GRADER AND TRACTOR ACCOUNT

Balance on January 1, 1955	\$ 778 48	
Received for rental	4,687 00	
Road Commissioner's Orders		\$ 5,317 52
Balance in fund		147 96
	\$ 5,465 48	\$ 5,465 48

TOWN ROADS ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1955	\$ 29 81	
Received from taxes voted	1,615 15	
Received from Leon Briggs	25 68	
Donation from John Delfrate used for construction on Delfrate road	200 00	
Received from State of Vermont	4,619 41	
Received from Henry Struthers	22 40	
Road Commissioner's Orders		\$ 6,455 66
Balance in account		56 79
	\$ 6,512 45	\$ 6,512 45

STATE ROADS ACCOUNT

Balance on January 1, 1955	\$ 14 97	
Taxes voted	1,130 61	
Received from Road Commissioner	185 00	
Received from State of Vermont	10,135 54	
Transfer from General Fund	831 72	
Road Commissioner's Orders		\$ 12,219 97
Balance in account		77 87
	\$ 12,297 84	\$ 12,297 84

TOWN SNOW ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1955	\$	707	10		
Taxes voted		1,130	61		
Received from State of Vermont		675	50		
Road Commissioner's Orders				\$	2,504 32
Balance in fund					8 89
	\$	2,513	21	\$	2,513 21

STATE AID SNOW ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1955	\$	530	40		
Received from State of Vermont		677	75		
Taxes voted		646	06		
Road Commissioner's Orders				\$	1,849 92
Balance in fund					4 29
	\$	1,854	21	\$	1,854 21

MINISTERIAL FUND

Balance in fund January 1, 1955	\$	1,582	86		
Lease land rent		90	60		
Balance in fund				\$	1,673 46
	\$	1,673	46	\$	1,673 46

OVERSEER'S ACCOUNT

Balance in fund January 1, 1955	\$	727	43		
Taxes voted		4,037	89		
Myrtie C. Johns		708	00		
Jessie Norton		425	00		
Howard National Bank		6,000	00		
Frank Gillette (1953)		72	00		
Harold Brown		5	00		
Elsie Hill		16	00		
Mary Fletcher Hospital (1953)		85	10		
Richard Fielder (Leon Hank's Est.)		2	00		
Neal Cubitt (1952)		42	50		
Overseer's Orders				\$	11,291 00
Balance in fund					829 92
	\$	12,120	92	\$	12,120 92

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE H. JAKES,
Treasurer.

GRAND LIST—1955—\$32,30.31

School Tax	\$ 2 00
General Fund	2 00
Town Roads	40
Town Roads Winter Maintenance	35
State Aid Winter Maintenance	20
Blacktop	35
Dust control	10
Poor (Overseer)	1 25
Fire Department	10
	\$6 75

STATEMENT OF 1955 TAXES

Taxes Assessed:

Real Estate	\$244,431 50 at 1%	\$2,444 31	
Personal	57,300 00 at 1%	573 00	
Total			\$ 3,017 31
Polls	\$ 213 00 at \$1.00	\$213 00	
Total Grand List			\$ 3,230 31

Tax Rates:

Town	\$ 4 75
School	2 00
Old Age	3 00
	\$9 75

Taxes Billed:

Town	\$3,230 31 at \$4 75	\$ 15,343 97
School	3,230 31 at 2 00	6,460 62
Total town and school		
	\$6 75	\$ 21,894 59
Old Age	\$ 213 00 at \$3 00	\$ 639 00
Total taxes billed		\$ 22,443 59

Accounted for as Follows:

Collections:

Real estate and personal	\$ 18,294 95
Polls	1,482 00

Total collections	\$ 19,776 95
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Discounts	552 59
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Delinquent:

Real estate and personal	\$ 1,519 21
Polls	594 75
Total	\$ 2,113 96
Fractional dif.	\$ 09 22,443 59

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS

Green Mt. Power Corp., lights for town buildings	\$ 36 18
P. C. Jaques, services as selectman and expenses	30 00
P. C. Jaques, services as clerk	7 00
P. C. Jaques, services, town clerk, work and mowing park, paid in cash \$5.50	24 75
Francis Phillips, ballot clerk	7 00
Francis Phillips, work in cemetery	29 20
McAuliffe Paper Co., supplies	5 60
Herman Quesnel, work in cemetery	2 25
Herman Quesnel, services as selectman and expenses	45 00
Forest N. Reber, fees for removal of C. Johnson to Vt. State Hospital	2 30
Paul Rublee, work in cemetery	3 60
Carlyle Taft, moderator	7 00
H. A. Alger, Memorial Day expenses	25 00
Sears, Roebuck & Co., mower for Center cemetery	128 00
Lodge Stationery Supply Co., tax cards	28 39
B. N. Sisco, speed signs	49 10
Town Treasurer, Blk. top const. special cons. resurfacing and retreating blk. top	831 72
Howard National Bank & Trust Co., note in full	5,000 00
Howard National Bank & Trust Co., interest on note	245 00
Cass-Warner-Griswold Corp., culvert	47 18
Vt. Agricultural Ext. Service, service	46 89
Horace Jones, ballot clerk	7 00
Melvin Sweet, planking Chantney bridge	10 00
Frank Gillett, planking Chantney bridge	10 00
Oscar L. Wright, work in cemetery	7 20
Earl B. McLaughlin, taking C. Johnson to Vt. State Hos- pital	10 00
Richard Fielder, services as selectman and expenses	30 00
Paul Fennel, legal expenses	125 00
Huntington Fire Dept. as voted by town	323 03
Lisman & Lisman, legal expenses	15 00
Tuttle Stationery Co., supplies	36 65

Norton & Jaques, supplies	266 61
Jaques store, supplies	24 99
Henry Truax, ballot clerk	7 00
Henry Truax, auditing	57 60
Helen Phillips, auditing	48 15
James Struthers, auditing, supplies and postage	45 90
Darwin Wright, tax collecting salary and expenses	61 02
Darwin Wright, R. E. taxes of Walter and Ethel Johnson abated	100 55
Queen City Printers Inc., Town Reports	172 00
H. W. Sargent, ballot clerk	7 00
Marion Little, cleaning town office	2 00
Bernard Lisman, tax collection fee	4 76
State Treasurer, old age assistance tax	575 10
State Treasurer, patrol	798 00
Harry R. Wishart, Chittenden County treasurer	80 28
Carl Weaver, listing	54 90
Frank Miles, listing	61 20
Paul Brace, listing	62 10
C. Reginal Burns, Dimick Ins. Agency	25 66
Fay Shattuck, ballot clerk	7 00
Fay Shattuck, planking Beaudry bridge	4 90
Earl Zeno, planking Beaudry bridge	2 00
Earl Zeno, work in Gore cemetery	4 00
William Shattuck, posts for guard rails	48 75
Richard Cleveland, work in cemetery	12 60
Nellie Jaques, salary as Treasurer and 1% of taxes collected	300 69
Nellie Jaques, town taxes	6 75
Co-Op Fire Ins. Co., ins. on Town Clerk's office	10 80
Daisie Alger, int. on Maplewood Cemetery Trust Fund	120 00
Bertha Sargent, Ministerial Fund	33 00
Lillian S. Norton, Ministerial Fund	33 00
Total	\$ 10,213 35

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Forest Reber, services on Elsie Hill case	\$ 7 20
Abrams Dept. Store, clothing	106 19
John Lantman, M.D., physical examination of Ralph Gillett	3 00
John Lantman, M.D., medical examination of Flora Thompson	10 00
Department of Social Welfare	377 42
P. C. Jaques, groceries for Daniel Pierce	92 94

P. C. Jaques, groceries for Ralph Gillett	365 46
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital, Daniel Pierce	113 10
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital, Marguerite Gagne	222 47
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital, Gladys Curavoo	331 14
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital, Carl Johnson	7 60
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital, Madalyn Johnson	116 70
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital, Violet LaRose	117 10
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital, Claribel Morse	59 85
Mary Fletcher Hospital, Charles Griffith	298 50
Mary Fletcher Hospital, Grace Drinkwater	136 00
Mary Fletcher Hospital, Lucille Durand	6,253 30
Fanny Allen Hospital, Alvin White	396 69
City of Burlington Welfare Dept., hospital bill Gwendalyn Johnson	81 10
Vt. State Hospital, board for Elsie Hill	14 25
Vt. State Hospital, medical care of Flora Thompson	64 90
Harold Brown, funeral expense of Flora Thompson	150 00
Bertha Smith, services in regard to Flora Thompson	5 00
Claywand Nursing Home, care of Elsie Hill	25 00
Dr. C. B. Orton, medical expense for Elsie Hill	9 75
Judge of Probate, commitment of Elsie Hill to Waterbury	14 00
H. W. Sargent, groceries for Daniel Pierce	43 10
Parker Bean, salary and expense	126 24
Paul Brace, wood for Daniel Pierce	18 00
Darwin Wright, services and expense	25 00
Flora Tomlinson, care of Myrtie Johns	1,300 00
Flora Tomlinson, care of Jessie Norton	400 00
Total	\$ 11,291 00

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

MONTPELIER, VERMONT

This is our twentieth annual report to the citizens of the Town of Huntington on State payments in your municipality of various types of assistance and welfare during 1955.

The total number of recipients in the State has remained reasonably stable for four years. The number aided in the Totally and Permanently Disabled program has continued to increase. Old Age Assistance and Blind Assistance caseloads have declined. The impact of the Social Security Insurance programs have not been fully realized in Vermont but will be a continuing factor in the reduction of caseloads as an increasing number of our people attain a fully insured status. At the present time less than 50% of the aged population in Vermont, sixty-five years or over, are entitled to Social Security benefits. The towns

and cities participated financially in two of the programs as indicated below. Administrative expenses for the four types of Public Assistance have always been among the lowest in the nation.

Old Age Assistance	\$12,699 00
Aid to Dependent Children*	1,332 00
Aid to the Disabled	459 00
Committed Children†	434 78
Total	\$14,924 78

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,
Commissioner.

* One-eighth paid by the town or city unless family is non-settled.

† One-half paid by the town or city unless family is non-settled.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Fay Shattuck, labor	\$ 2,204 35
Fay Shattuck, truck only	3,122 54
Francis Phillips, labor	1,754 00
Earl Zeno, labor	855 00
Lyle LaRose, man and truck	310 00
Joseph Blanchard, man and truck	231 20
Paul Carpenter, trucking	37 00
Earl Hanson, man and truck	122 00
Felix Smith, hauling salt—truck	12 00
Earl L. Burns, man and truck	61 20
Edwin Smith, man and truck	252 00
Archie Place, flood work	8 00
Edward Tucker, man and truck	16 00
Vance Bean, flood work	37 00
Keith Bean, flood work	33 50
Nelson R. Clark, labor	18 00
Clinton H. Emmons, man and truck	30 60
Arthur Bell, labor	21 25
Henry Lane, shovel	679 00
Francis L. Casey, gravel	99 20
Ray Ballard, man and truck	240 00
Heman Stevens, labor	18 00
James O'Shea, chloride	219 96
C. P. Smith Supply Co., tube and work on road machine tire	5 52
Richard Fielder, use of chain saw	24 00
W. E. Beaudry, gravel	154 85

W. C. Kirby, use of shovel	652 75
Parker Bean, labor	65 00
Douglas Gokey, man and truck	392 00
Darwin Wright, labor	42 00
P. C. Jaques, moving tractor	20 00
P. C. Jaques, paint and supplies	29 72
Napoleon Lewis, labor	113 00
Norton & Jaques, man and tractor	107 50
Norton & Jaques, gravel	247 05
Norton & Jaques, plank	31 35
Fred Jaques, labor	30 00
Josie Rich, gravel	50 00
Wayland Alger, labor	20 00
Nelson Clark, labor	9 00
Thomas Johnston, gravel	16 05
Burnett & Campbell, supplies and labor	80 88
Interstate Equipment & Supply Co., supplies	54 10
Workman Engineering Corp., metal pipe	100 44
International Salt Co., salt	486 50
Socony Vacuum Oil Co., tar and asphalt	743 14
Vermont Explosive Co., dynamite	55 35
Strong Hdwe. Co., pruning shears	10 53
Plant & Griffith Co., cedar posts	45 37
The Bristol Press, order books	9 55
Richmond Co-op. Assn., smoke stack for culvert	40 00
Kappers Co., Inc., tar	862 77
New England Metal Culverts, culverts and couplings	85 69
Hinesburg Sand and Gravel Co., sand	589 50
Vermont Tax Department	27 79
District Director of Internal Revenue	191 85
Treasurer State of Vermont, labor and equipment	795 60
Treasurer of Huntington	3,654 00
Cass-Warner-Griswold Corp., gravel	823 83
Cass-Warner-Griswold Corp., culverts	1,321 39
Milton Gilley, man and truck	280 00
Total	\$ 23,029 87

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

STATE AID TOWN ROAD

Delfrate Road No. 13	\$ 1,383 81
Carl Weaver Road No. 33	2,071 30
Flood work	1,172 70

Blacktop State Road, South Huntington Center Road No. 1	\$ 7,197 10
Retreatment from Fire Station to Clevelands	955 00
Resurfacing from Lawyers to Arland Tomlinson Road No. 3	587 96
Special State Road No. 3	3,272 43

EXPENSE OF TRACTOR AND GRADER

Casellini-Venable Corp., tool box and work on control on tractor	\$ 21 59
Casellini-Venable Corp., tractor repair	439 90
Casellini-Venable Corp., grader blades and supplies	248 51
Dimick Ins. Agency, insurance on tractor	43 39
Dimick Ins. Agency, insurance on grader	89 56
Dimick Ins. Agency, collision liability and property dam- age insurance on grader	109 10
Texaco Service Station, fuel oil for tractor and grader	360 82
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., grease and oil for tractor and grader	94 89
The Peoples National Bank, payment and interest on grader	1,075 00
The Peoples National Bank, interest on grader note	89 38
The Peoples National Bank, payment on grader	2,000 00
J. P. Giroux, repair and welding	178 70
Ernest Giroux, battery for tractor	18 72
C. P. Smith Petroleum Corp., grease and oil	20 45
C. P. Smith Supply Co., Inc., repairing grader tire	5 00
Lane Distributing Corp., reline for grader tire	23 20
Lane Distributing Corp., anti-freeze, etc., for tractor and grader	50 45
Strong Hdwe. Co., blow torch	14 11
Paul Carpenter, moving tractor from Barre to Huntington	20 00
Treasurer of Huntington, overpaid tractor on blacktop State road	185 00
Horace Jones, welding grader chain and charging battery	4 00
Edson Pierce, supplies	18 57
Parker Bean, labor on tractor	5 00
P. C. Jaques, moving tractor to Willard Braces	10 00
Norton & Jaques, moving tractor to Barre	20 00
Art Service Station, charging battery for grader	1 00
Petrometal Industries, tractor repairs	50 81
Vermont Structural Steel Corp., bolts and washers	74
Francis Phillips, labor	15 00
Fay Shattuck, labor	18 75

H. W. & B. C. Sargent, gas, oil and bolts	25 88
Vermont Road Equipment Co., Inc., blade for tractor	60 00

Total	\$ 5,317 52
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EARNINGS OF GRADER AND TRACTOR

Brought forward from 1954	\$ 778 48
Received from Town of Huntington, grader	1,529 00
Received from State of Vermont, grader	624 00
Received from Town of Huntington, tractor	2,125 00
Received from Town of Monkton	5 50
Received from Forrest Brace	75 00
Received from John Delfrate	115 00
Received from Millard Brace	27 50
Received from Delyle Brooker	90 00
Received from Louise Duggan	30 00
Received from Lewis DeRocco	15 00
Received from Town of Starksboro	51 00

Total	\$ 5,465 48
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SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Teachers:

Etta Fish, Center School	\$ 1,498 46
Freda Trapp, C. E. Ross School	1,908 43
Margaret King, C. E. Ross School	1,714 71
Lillian Gilmore, Hanksville	952 55
Marion Ross, Hanksville	613 86

Total	\$ 6,688 01
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Superintendent of Schools:

George W. Bountress	\$ 707 04
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Total	707 04
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Janitors:

Rogene Bedell	\$ 37 50
Etta Fish	70 00
Herbert Germain	249 00
Jerome Salvas	20 00
Horace Jones	345 00
Sandra Thompson	52 50

Total	774 00
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Transportation:

Carol Switzer, driving bus	\$ 410 00
Paul Brace, driving bus	156 00
Thelma Jones, driving bus	7 00
Herbert Germain, driving bus	268 00
Carl Weaver, Claude Weaver's children	59 40
Earl Zeno, own children	91 30
Raymond Rocque, driving bus	272 00
Horace Jones, driving bus	192 00

Total	1,455 70
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Tuition:

Waterbury High School	\$ 128 00
Bristol High School	352 22
Hinesburg High School	303 33
Burlington High School	225 00
Richmond High School	3,487 50

Total	4,496 05
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Fuel:

Richmond Fuel and Farm Supply, coal	\$ 813 05
Herbert Sheldrake, wood	50 00
Paul Brace, wood	195 00

Total	1,058 05
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Light and Power:

Green Mountain Power, lights	\$ 100 71
Vermont Electric Co-op., Inc., lights, Hanksville	22 00

Total	122 71
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Janitors' Supplies:

H. W. Sargent, supplies	\$ 8 29
McAuliffe Paper Co., supplies	49 00
J. S. Holcomb Mfg. Co., supplies	18 64
Maggie Stokes, supplies	6 92
P. C. Jaques, supplies	68 55

Total	151 40
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School Supplies:

Josie Bean, supplies for school	\$ 1 59
Hagar Hardware Co., supplies for school	3 00

Gledhill Bros., Inc.	240 82	
Strong Hardware Co., bolts for desks	3 15	
Norton and Jaques, wood and lumber.....	82 00	
Total		330 56
Repairs and Upkeep:		
LeVarn Elect., repairing wiring at Hanks- ville	\$ 7 45	
Herbert Riggs, toilets at Center and Hanks- ville	168 16	
Herbert Riggs, cleaning toilets	19 30	
Horace Jones, repairs at C. E. Ross School	8 00	
Dept. of industrial relations, boiler in- spection	2 00	
Munroe Lacallaide, cutting up tree at Center	4 00	
Levi Lawyer, labor at Center	15 00	
Levi Lawyer, labor at Center, on chairs	4 50	
Charles Lawyer, labor at Center	18 50	
Marjorie Lawyer, cleaning C. E. Ross school	28 00	
Marjorie Lawyer, labor at Center	3 00	
Marjorie Lawyer, cleaning at Center school	29 50	
Maggie Stokes, cleaning school at Hanks- ville	15 00	
Total		374 41
Insurance:		
Dimick Ins. Agency	\$ 162 56	
Peterson & Rowlands, teachers' liability.....	12 00	
Phillip P. Eddy, ins. on school bus	60 50	
Darwin Wright, ins. on school bus	57 09	
Total		295 15
Textbooks:		
Field Enterprise, Inc., books	\$ 38 32	
Silver, Burdett & Co., books	5 48	
Charles E. Merrill, books	9 16	
Scott, Foresman & Co., books	27 12	
The Continental Press, books	2 32	
John C. Winston Co., books	49 90	
Iroquois Publishing Co., books	20 36	
Webster Publishing Co., books	7 20	
Macmillan Co., books	3 76	

Follett Publishing Co., books	14 00	
Backley Cardy Co., books	16 87	
The Bristol Press, 6 order books	9 31	
Tuttle Stationery Co., paper for town books	3 92	
Total		207 72
School Bus:		
Ideal Mfg. Co., repair seat on bus	\$ 9 25	
Fitzpatrick Garage, school bus	1,265 00	
Fitzpatrick Garage, transfer registration bus	12 00	
Fitzpatrick Garage, renting school bus	75 00	
International Harvester, school bus	1,190 00	
International Harvester, inspection bus	10 07	
Motor Vehicle Dept., registration bus	10 00	
Motor Vehicle Dept., transfer plates bus	2 00	
Horace Jones, gas, oil and repairs	215 72	
Huntington Garage, oil and repairs	186 93	
Total		2,975 97
Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax	1,251 20	
State tax	139 84	
State Teachers' retirement	580 74	
Total		1,871 78
School Board Expense:		
Roderick Ross, clerk	\$ 100 00	
Roderick Ross, postage	3 45	
Horace Jones, chairman	25 00	
Horace Jones, truant officer	1 00	
Horace Jones, school census	8 76	
Thelma Jones, school census	8 88	
Freda Trapp, expense 8th grade trip	10 00	
Total		157 09
Medical:		
Health Council, Cod Liver Oil Tablets	\$ 14 38	
Total		14 38
Furniture:		
Pierce & Josman, repairing piano	\$ 25 00	
Total		25 00

Hot Lunch:

Donald Thompson for hot lunch	\$	22 50
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Total		22 50
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Professional Service:

Lisman & Lisman, professional service	\$	10 00
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Total		10 00
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Division of Special Education:

Teaching Harlen Bedell and Ralph Sweet	\$	266 88
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Total		266 88
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Grand Total	\$	22,104 40
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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Being mindful of my multi-faceted responsibility to the children, parents, school boards and teachers of my district, and being acutely aware of the increasing teacher shortage, I am taking this opportunity to present general facts district-wide for the consideration and action of all the people concerned.

We have been fortunate, as a district, to have the services of the teachers who staff our schools. In many instances these teachers are local people who feel a loyalty to the hometown schools and give wholeheartedly to the task of educating the children of their townsmen. They have made no attempt to look elsewhere for employment, and I know they have refused better positions and better paying positions. These same facts are no less true of our non-resident teachers. I believe we should seriously concern ourselves with some important, relative questions. How much longer can our teachers stay with us if the pay check is larger not too far from home? Will better teachers staff our schools if ours should leave us? Will replacements teach for less or the same money now being paid? Will we be able to compete for teachers with other districts around us in this ever-narrowing teacher supply? Some parts of our district have given raises in the past, it is true; others have not seen their way clear financially to do so. It is becoming more and more necessary today to condition our thinking to raising more money for maintaining good staffs and schools. It can be argued that there are many dimensions to the problem of pay scales, and many areas nationwide are making studies on the subject. We, however, will do well if we take the simplest steps in salary adjustments to at least improve the findings presented below. Each town, necessarily will have to work out its own measure of improvement.

The Vermont Conference on Education which met at Montpelier last September expressed itself in favor of salary adjustments comparable to those of persons in other professions. The recent Washington Conference on Education echoed the same sentiments. The teachers in this district, like teachers in districts all around them, have met and discussed this problem. In areas adjacent to ours, improved salary scales are going into effect, and these areas have consistently paid more than ours. Our teachers have submitted suggestions as a result of conferences with leaders well versed in the field of salaries. In turn, I have made a comparative survey of the problem which I present briefly below.

According to the January, 1955, report of the Vermont Education Association, the average salary in our district is tenth from the bottom on a statewide comparison. The state average for beginning grade teachers is \$2,769.75. Sixty percent of the teachers of Vermont are better paid than ours. Thirty out of fifty-six teachers in our district are getting less than the median salary in our own district. The low salary in our district is \$2,000. The high salary is \$4,600. The average salary is \$2,693. The median salary is \$2,600. These figures include administrators' salaries.

There is no implication whatever in this report that we have been paying minimum salaries below the figures which were legislated. The tendency has been in many areas, however, to use these minimums as maximums. Years of experience and quality have not been considered. This tendency will not encourage trained people to stay in or return to the teaching profession, nor does it provide the impetus for more young men and women to enter the teaching profession. Official reports inform us that Vermont needs 372 teachers annually and it is producing 175 in all levels of education in all of our colleges this year. Not all of these will teach. This means we have had to fall back upon the interested former teachers and other people trained in related areas. Even so, retirements are cutting into this supply steadily. We are fast approaching a situation similar to London, Ontario's. They advertised for a teacher this way, "Teacher wanted for School No. 22; state salary and qualifications if any."

A recent report made by the Ford Foundation for the Advancement of Education states, "If American democracy as we know it should collapse, one of the major causes would certainly be public indifference to the economic plight of the teaching profession." "... the best talent of the younger generation finds that education is not as highly valued as law, medicine, advertising, or many technical skills."

Our children are our most priceless possessions; the future of our country rests in their hands, and both of these invaluable depend upon our teachers. Can we afford to short change our children by short changing our teachers?

This year the enrollments were as follows:

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Hanksville	3	4	4	3	3	4	1	
Center	5	1	8	8	2			
Ross	5	8	6	7	7	10	11	7
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Total	13	13	18	18	12	14	12	7

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE WM. BOUNTRESS,
Superintendent.

DELINQUENT R. E. AND P. P. TAXES

Abbey, Fred	\$ 13 50	Haskins, Joseph and Hilda	51 34
Alger, Glenn and Helen	5 06	Haskins, William and	
Alger, Willard and Mary	96 51	Libby	162 13
Brown, Martin A.	9 56	Jaques, Frederick and	
Barnier, Donald and		Agnes	22 95
Winifred	26 00	Johnson, Roland	6 75
Bedell, Persis and Henry	75 12	King, Della	26 10
Blanchard Estate	21 34	King, Raymond	3 00
Blish, Douglas and		King, Robert and Ruth	10 38
Dorothy	13 10	King, Archie and Hester	7 60
Blood, Edwin and		Knight, Jr., William	17 55
Katherine	9 00	Liberty, Cassius	6 75
Curavoo, Fred and Gladys	6 75	Lewis, Napoleon and	
Campbell, Clarence and		Dora	147 47
Sylvia	6 79	Lyman, Frederic and	
Clark, Robert, Mechanic		Violet	3 37
and George	23 92	Martin, W. E.	15 10
Collins, Alson and Almira	19 50	Newtons' Gas Service	2 70
Desmiris, Fidelivia and		Newcity, Conrad and	
George	13 50	Mary	26 10
Durand, Reginald	14 60	Pierce, Daniel and	
Durand, Nathan	32 74	Isabella	7 43
Fargo, Vern H. and Lois	101 92	Rich, Lawson and Josie	179 32
Germain, Herbert and		Rings Estate	11 30
Eleanor	74 25	Sargent, Kathryn	108 80
Germaine, Herbert	11 60	Sharrow, Vernal and	
Germaine, Fred and Flora	40 50	Thelma	4 05
Gorton, Emma	33 75	Stevens, Harold	13 70
Gillette, Ralph and		Sweeney, John	4 11
Beulah	199 94	Stevens, Donald and	
Hill, Elsie	50 62	Marguerite	74 95

Stevens, Jr., Heman and		Tullock, James, Gladys	
Mavis	33 75	and Forest	41 10
Stevens, Leon and Gertie	171 87	Warren, Sylvia	67 50
Sweet, Clayton	111 60	Weston, Evans and	
Sweet, Joseph and		Blanche	84 40
Charlene	8 22	Weston, Hiram and	
Sweet, Melvin and		Beverly	40 60
Doris	20 25	White, Alvin and Marie	405 31
Truax, Henry and Hazel	40 50	White, Bert and Betty	26 66
Thompson, Donald and		Wright, Arville	69 43
Edna	138 90		
Taft, Hugh and Marjorie	50 55	Total	\$3,123 16

HUNTINGTON CEMETERY TRUST FUND

Town of Huntington note	\$ 2,000 00
Balance in Burlington Savings Bank	6,906 84
Total	\$ 8,906 84

This fund also has a war bond amounting to \$125.00 at maturity.

DELINQUENT POLL AND OLD AGE TAXES

Alger, Glenn	\$ 9 75	Knight, Jr., William	9 75
Alger, Helen	9 75	Knight, Sr., William	9 50
Alger, Mary	8 30	Liberty, Cassius	9 75
Bedell, Henry	9 85	Lewis, Grant	9 75
Bedell, Persis	9 85	Lewis, Loretta	19 60
Currier, Dolly	9 50	Lewis, Napoleon	9 75
Campbell, George	6 70	Lewis, Dora	9 75
Campbell, Sylvia	9 75	Martin, Max	1 75
Currier, Helen	14 75	Martin, Clara	9 75
Desmaris, Fidelivin	9 75	Morse, Claribelle	9 75
Desmaris, Marie	9 75	Morse, Robert	9 75
Durand, Reginald	3 35	Mercy, Gloria	17 50
Germaine, Herbert	9 75	Pecor, Delvene	6 65
Haskins, Sr., Joseph	9 75	Pecor, Kenneth	3 02
Haskins, Hilda	19 60	Pecor, Carl	9 75
Haskins, Rufus	75 85	Pecor, Rhoda	9 75
Haskins, Vella	9 85	Pierce, Daniel	9 75
Jennings, Sidney	9 75	Pierce, Isabelle	9 75
Jennings, Emma	9 75	Peno, Arthur	9 75
Knight, Edward	9 85	Peno, Francis	41 05
King, Archie	9 75	Rood, Katherine	7 50
King, Hester	11 05	Smith, Roland	9 75

Smith, Hazel	9 75	Williams, Gertrude	9 85
Sweeney, John	19 60	Weston, Evans	10 15
Stevens, Margaret	9 75	Weston, Blanche	9 85
Sweet, Melvin	9 75	Weston, Hiram	9 50
Sweet, Doris	9 75	Weston, Beverly	7 40
Stokes, Clayton	9 75	Weston, Cleland	19 35
Taft, Hugh	9 75	White, Bert	9 75
Taft, Marjorie	9 75	White, Betty	9 75
Truax, Raymond	19 35		
Williams, Samuel	9 85	Total	<u>\$731 72</u>

AUDITORS' REPORT

ASSETS OF TOWN

Balance in School Account	\$ 8,245 74
Balance in Tractor and Grader Account	147 96
Balance in Town Road Account	56 79
Balance in State Road Account	77 87
Balance in Town Snow Account	8 89
Balance in State Snow Account	4 29
Balance in Overseer's Account	829 92
Balance in Selectmen's Account	323 82
Delinquent Taxes	<u>3,854 88</u>
	\$ 13,550 16

TOWN EQUIPMENT

Grader and Wing	\$ 8,000 00
Snowplow	400 00
Tractor	<u>4,500 00</u>
	\$ 12,900 00

LIABILITIES OF TOWN

Ministerial Fund	\$ 1,673 46
Howard National Bank	4,000 00
Peoples National Bank, grader	3,000 00
Maplewood Cemetery	2,000 00
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital	822 17
Mary Fletcher Hospital	865 65
Fanny Allen Hospital	308 93
Teachers' Withholding Taxes	426 60
Teachers' State Withholding Taxes	<u>63 20</u>
	\$ 13,160 01

We have examined the accounts of all town officers and find them to be correct.

JAMES STRUTHERS,
HELEN PHILLIPS,
HENRY A. TRUAX, *Auditors.*

RECORD OF
Filed in Town

BIRTHS

<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Sex</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>
Carolyn Lee Morse	F	Apr. 21, 1955	Burlington
Debra Ann Martin	F	May 2, 1955	Burlington
John Alden Teal	M	May 23, 1955	Burlington
Carol Lea Campbell	F	July 4, 1955	Burlington
Katherine L. Smith	F	July 25, 1955	Burlington
Elizabeth Lee Terrien	F	Oct. 27, 1955	Burlington
Allen L. Weaver	M	Dec. 9, 1955	Burlington
Rodney W. Haskins	M	Dec. 22, 1955	Burlington
Myron P. Knight	M	Dec. 27, 1955	Burlington

DEATHS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Sex</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
Alice McMahon	F	82	Feb. 17, 1955
Georgia B. Pierce	F	71	Mar. 4, 1955
Arvilla D. Wright	F	87	Mar. 18, 1955
Adaline M. Hanks	F	81	Mar. 28, 1955
Adeline Ellis	F	74	Apr. 6, 1955
Greta Wright	F	55	May 5, 1955
Lawson Rich	M	71	June 17, 1955
Issachar Ring	M	89	June 19, 1955
Mable L. Weaver	F	86	July 8, 1955
Eli E. Stokes	M	83	Aug. 22, 1955
William H. Haskins	M	85	Sept. 21, 1955
Alfred J. Norton	M	44	Sept. 25, 1955
Anson W. Fielder	M	70	Oct. 15, 1955
Elizabeth L. Terrien	F	1 day	Oct. 28, 1955
Lena A. Fargo	F	77	Oct. 31, 1955
Flora J. Thompson	F	69	Dec. 1, 1955
Alvin B. White	M	67	Dec. 23, 1955

MARRIAGES

<i>Name of Groom</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Name of Bride</i>
Dayton LaRose	Bristol	Violet Bedell
Charles H. A. Lawyer	Huntington	MaeBelle Jones
William C. Haskins	Huntington	Henrietta C. Bedell
Darwin Wright	Huntington	Margaret Moody
Ray V. Salvas	Huntington	Ethel M. Lyman

VITAL STATISTICS

Clerk's Office

<i>Residence</i>	<i>Father's Name</i>	<i>Mother's (Maiden Name)</i>
Huntington	Robert J. Morse	Clarabell Haskins
Huntington	Max J. Martin	Clara May Campbell
Huntington	John J. Teal, Jr.	Penelope L. Holden
Huntington	Clarence L. Campbell	Sylvia Ann Twine
Huntington	Felix J. Smith	Bertha E. Dashburn
Huntington	Wm. O. Terrien	Jean A. Murphy
Huntington	Donald L. Weaver	Carolene D. Taft
Huntington	William C. Haskins	Henrietta C. Bedell
Huntington	William H. Knight	Beatrice U. Hallock

<i>Place of Death</i>	<i>Residence</i>
Burlington	Huntington
Huntington	Huntington
Charlotte	Charlotte
Essex Junction	Essex Junction
Newton, Mass.	Newton, Mass.
Huntington	Huntington
Huntington	Huntington
Huntington	Huntington
Ferrisburg	Huntington
Huntington	Huntington
Huntington	Huntington
Starksboro	Starksboro
Huntington	Huntington
Burlington	Huntington
Bellville, N. J.	Bellville, N. J.
Waterbury	Huntington
Burlington	Huntington

<i>Residence</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place of Marriage</i>
Huntington	Feb. 28, 1955	Bristol
Huntington	April 8, 1955	Huntington
Huntington	Sept. 5, 1955	Huntington
Huntington	Oct. 26, 1955	Huntington
Huntington	Dec. 20, 1955	Huntington

SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1955

	<i>Births</i>	<i>Deaths</i>	<i>Marriages</i>
Occurred in town	0	6	4
Occurred to residents of town	9	8	1

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

The advent of Salk Polio Vaccine in 1955 has occupied one of the top concerns of the Public Health Nursing Program in addition to other preventive services. The successful use of the Salk Vaccine again points up the fact that community cooperation is vital to any endeavor of this kind. As soon as the supply of Polio Vaccine is available, opportunity for protection will be offered the children from two months through five years.

We wish to express our appreciation to the volunteer workers for the fine contribution they have made toward the health program in the town.

Eighty visits were made to mothers and babies, especially with mothers having their first baby, or any particular problems.

One hundred thirty-four visits were made as follow-up on preschool and school conferences to discuss with families the need of corrective measures for some physical defects.

Thirty-five visits were made for the nursing control of communicable disease.

Ninety-four visits were made to children and adults for general family health supervision.

A Medical Conference for infants and preschool children was held in June with Dr. John Fuller examining 36 children and giving the necessary immunizations. The school children will be examined after the first of the year.

Twelve children were vaccinated against smallpox; 7 received Triple Antigen against diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough, and 17 received a Booster. Eighty-five children went to Richmond to receive their Salk Vaccine, and 7 received a Booster dose. Parents are to be commended for their response to the immunization program, and the follow-up with Booster doses.

It would seem beneficial to the children if some type of Hot Lunch Program could be planned for the schools. The people of the Hanks-ville District are to be commended for their effort toward this plan. The children could also benefit greatly if they made use of the Dental Program offered by the School of Dental Hygiene at the University of Vermont.

Chest X-ray Clinics held twice each month by appointment at the Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital in Burlington and once a month at the

Fanny Allen Hospital in Winooski were available to persons referred by their physicians as being in need of a chest X-ray.

The public health nurse for Huntington is Mrs. Florence Shea who has her office in Essex Junction.

Respectfully submitted,

HORTENSE L. HARWOOD, R. N.,
Public Health Nursing Supervisor.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

No cases of communicable diseases were reported during the year. Although a communicable disease is not placarded, each case should be reported to the health officer. Such information is not only required by law but is also of great value in carrying out the public health program. There were no complaints or inquiries concerning health problems.

JOHN C. LANTMAN, M. D.,
Health Officer.

REPORT OF HUNTINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.

Cash on hand Dec. 1, 1954	\$	420 63
Received from town as voted		339 28
Other receipts		228 02
Total receipts	\$	987 93

Expenses

Heating oil for winter	\$	155 85
Accident insurance		75 00
Fire and Liability insurance		71 03
Red telephones		72 75
Repairs on truck, gas, other equipment		123 10
Total expenditures	\$	497 73
		497 73
Balance on hand Dec. 1, 1955	\$	490 20

During the past year we have been very fortunate in not having any serious fires.

The department urges every individual to do everything possible to prevent any fires, so that we can come through this coming year with as good a record as we have had this past year.

ROY B. CLEVELAND,
Chief.

WARNING

TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 6, 1956

To the legal voters of the Town of Huntington you are hereby notified and warned to meet at the S.O.V. Hall in Huntington north village at 10 o'clock in the forenoon on the 6th day of March A.D. 1956, to transact the following business to wit:

1. To elect a Moderator.
2. To elect a Town Clerk.
3. To act upon the Auditors' Report.
4. To elect the following officers for the town:
 - Auditor for three years.
 - Cemetery Commissioner for five years.
 - Town Agent for one year.
 - Town Grand Juror for one year.
 - Selectman for three years.
 - Lister for three years.
 - Constable for one year.
 - Overseer of Poor for one year.
 - Road Commissioner for one or more years.
 - Town Treasurer for one year.
5. Will the town authorize the Selectmen to borrow money when needed for current expenses and indebtedness of the town.
6. To determine what sum of money will be appropriated from the General Fund for Memorial Day.
7. To determine what percent on the Grand List will be raised for the following:
 - Support of the poor.
 - The General Fund.
 - Black Top Road Construction.
 - Town Roads.
 - Winter maintenance on State Aid Roads.
 - Winter maintenance on Town Roads.
 - Support of the Fire Department.
 - Dust Control.

8. School District Meeting (special order at 1 P.M.).
To hear and act upon Report of Advisory Committee for a Central School.
To elect a School Director for three years.
To determine what percent of the Grand List will be raised for expenses of schools.
9. Shall license be granted for the sale of liquor?
10. Shall license be granted for the sale and malt and fermented beverages?
11. To transact and vote upon any business which may legally come before said meeting.

Dated at Huntington, Vermont, this 18th day of February, A.D. 1956.

Signed,

RICHARD FIELDER,
HERMAN QUESNEL,
P. C. JAQUES,
Selectmen of Huntington, Vt.

